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Applicant(s): MAFFITT et al.

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Title: **RECOMBINANT PROTEOLYTIC TRYPTASES, ACTIVE SITE MUTANTS THEREOF, AND METHODS OF MAKING SAME**

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION, 37 C.F.R. §1.111

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To the Commissioner:

In response to the Official Action dated February 21, 2003, the time period for response thereto being set to expire July 21, 2003, by virtue of the Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time filed herewith, Applicant request favorable reconsideration in view of the following amendment, remarks, and formal drawings filed herewith.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

A Terminal Disclaimer and the **required fee** are submitted with this paper.

Formal Drawings are submitted with this paper. Entry of the drawings is respectfully requested. ✓

A Petition for Two-Month Extension of Time and the **required fee** are submitted with this paper.

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